

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please ADD the following paragraph after paragraph [0035] at page 10:

According to one embodiment, a protective layer for protecting a component against corrosion and oxidation at high temperatures, <sup>includes</sup> 15% to 21% by weight of chromium, 9% to 11.5% by weight of aluminum, 0% to 2 % by weight of rhenium, 24% to 26% by weight of cobalt, 0.05% to 0.7% by weight of an element selected from the group consisting of yttrium, scandium and rare earths, 0% to 1% by weight of ruthenium, a remainder being nickel, and production-related impurities.